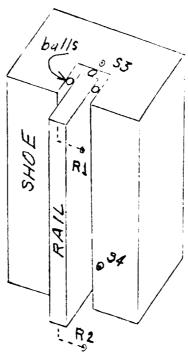
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MODELING OF CONNECTIONS BETWEEN SUBSTRUCTURES

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The focus of this paper is on joints that are only partially connected such as slip joints in bridges and in ship superstructures or sliding of a grooved structure onto the rails of a mating structure as shown in the sketch.



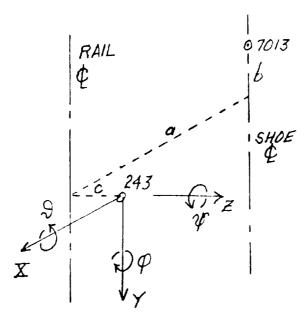
In substructure analysis it is desireable to organize each substructure so as to be self contained for purposes of validity checking. If part of the check is to embrace a connection, then all of the elements of the interface that it sees in

its mate should be included within its model. In the case of the groove/rail structure, shown above, it will enhance the checking if the rail points, to which the shoe points will connect, are duplicated in the substructure with the shoe. Thus a complete job of checking out the shoe substructure can be done in Phase 1 with statics and eigenvalues and not protract the checking procedure of basic substructures into Phase 2.

To implement such a scheme, referring to the sketch, points R1 & R2 are included in the shoe model. The connection from S3 to R1 and from S4 to R2 are made in Phase 1 and now become available for complete chekout of the shoe substructure, To make this example including its mating with the rail. general, postulate that the planes through the four points are not parallel to the coordinate planes. In effect there likes to plan to avoid having Generally, one offsets. out-of-plane offsets, but exigencies do crop up which forces the analyst to face up to such realities. Often such interface connections involve MPC's or elastic ties. In any case a requirement of Substructure Analysis is that points that are to be connected in Phase 2 must be available in Phase 2; i.e. they condensed out or constrained out in Phase cannot Therefore, if an MPC is used, the connecting points must be independent degrees of freedom in the MPC relationship.

The needs of this joint are that there will be no relative translation in either transverse direction and no relative rotation about the long axis of the rail. In terms of the indicated coordinate system, translations in x and z directions must be constrained together and rotations about y must be constrained together. Just a pair of connecting points will be used herein to carry on the discussion. A sketch will be used to

assist in the discussion of making the connection by means of multi-point constraints.



Include rail point 243 in the Shoe Model. When Phase 2 COMBINE operation is invoked, NASTRAN will recognize that rail 243 = shoe 243. As remarked above, since point 243 is going to be commanded to connect in Phase 2, it must therefore be an active available point for joining; and must therefore be an independent point in an MPC relationship. Now following the needs of this joint, constrain point $7013(X,Z,\Phi)$ to $243(X,Z,\Phi)$. The constraint equations for translations in X and Z are:

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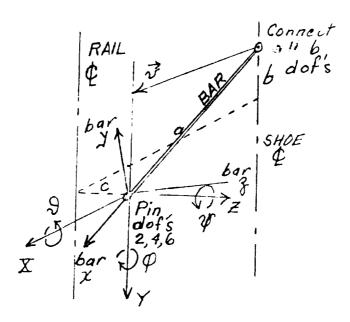
But $243(\Psi)$ and $243(\Theta)$ are rail rotations which are not sensed by the shoe. If 243(4,6) are included in the shoe model they would be independent shoe rotations which will engage in the MPC relationship but would have no elastic path out to other parts of

shoe. Thus, if nominal mass were added to these rail points to keep the eigenvalue matrix from being singular, an eigenvalue check for rigid body modes would show the shoe model to fail. One might argue, why not leave the rotations in until they are connected during COMBINE, then they are no longer disjoint. I cannot afford to leave the 243(4,6) rotations in the shoe model, because after connecting with the rail these rail rotations must not be transmitted back to the shoe. Moments in the configuration about the two transverse axes are produced only by couples of forces not by local rotational bending. out the use of MPC's during Phase l in this case. other cases of connections between substructures in which The case in which there were no in Phase I would work. transverse offsets would work. A NASTRAN run of a simple demonstrates these results in Appendix A.

The alternative is to make a stiff elastic connection, but not so stiff as to cause matrix ill-conditioning. If a bar instead of elastic scalars is used, it will be modeled so as to be fully connected in all 6 degrees of freedom at the shoe end, but only partially connected at the rail end. At the rail end it must allow for sliding along the rail and not transmit rotations to the shoe about the rail transverse axes. This implies that pin flags must be used at the rail and to inhibit these freedoms.

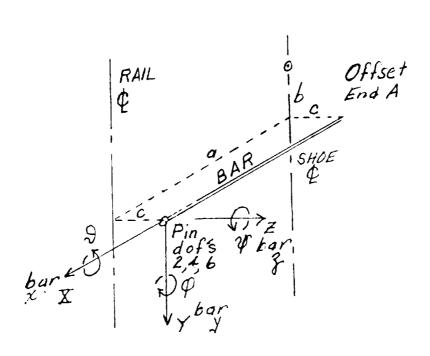
This stiff bar connection can be implemented the wrong way or the right way. One gets trapped into modeling the wrong way by forgetting that pin flags are applied to bar coordinates not to the displacement coordinates. I fell into this trap and will show you what happens. Then I will follow it up with the correct way to model it.

BAR CONNECTION WRONG WAY



Include the rail grid points in the shoe model and apply SPC's at the GRID level in d.o.f.'s 2,4,6. Connect the shoe point to the rail point with a stiff bar. Note that the connection from shoe GP to rail GP produces bar coordinates that are skewed with respect to the displacement coordinates. Thus when bar element coordinate 2 is pinned, a component of force still develops at the rail end of the bar in the Y displacement coordinate direction, and so the eigenvalue check for rigid body modes fails once again. The listing in Appendix B of a simple model, incorporating this wrong approach, shows the constraint forces in the rigid body modes in freedoms Tl, Rl, & R3 to be non-negligible. Then the elastic mode shows large constraint forces in these freedoms.

BAR CONNECTION RIGHT WAY



Offset the bar at the shoe end so as to terminate the bar at the rail end so as to be perpendicular to all displacement coordinates at the rail end. This connection passes the eigenvalue check for rigid body modes. Appendix C is a listing of a simple demonstration problem of the joint modeled the right way. Note that the constraint forces in freedoms T2, R1, & R3 are negligible in rigid body modes as well as in elastic modes.

CONCLUSIONS

This paper has demonstrated that complete checkout of a basic substructure can be done under the special circumstances of a sliding connection with offsets. Stiff bar connections make this possible so long as the bar coordinates are aligned with the displacement coordinates at the sliding surface.

APPENDIX A RUN WITH MPC CONNECTION

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EIGENVALUE = -7.963921E-08	FORCES OF SINGLE-	-POINT CONSTRAINT
PT ID. T1 T2 T3 13 0.0 2.806213E+01 0.0 14 0.0 -1.530662E+01 0.0	-2.590351E+01	R2 R3 0.0 -1.726900E+01 0.0 -3.139819E+00
EIGENVALUE = 2.852769E-08	FORCES OF SINGLE-	-POINT CONSTRAINT
13 0.0 2.551103E+00 0	T3 R1 0.0 1.177432E+00 0.0 -1.118560E+01	R2 R3 0.0 7.849547E-01 0.0 -7.457070E+00
EIGENVALUE = 9.751177E-08	FORCES OF SINGLE-	POINT CONSTRAINT
13 0.0 -1.275551E+00	T3 R1 0.0 1.876532E+00 0.0 1.103843E-01	R2 R3 0.0 1.251022E+00 0.0 7.358950E-02
EIGENVALUE = 1.989545E-07	FORCES OF SINGLE-F	OINT CONSTRAINT
13 0.0 9.566635E-01 0	.0 3.017170E+00 0	R2 R3 .0 2.011446E+00 .0 2.747341E+00
EIGENVALUE = 2.305249E-07	FORCES OF SINGLE-P	OINT CONSTRAINT
13 0.0 1.020441E+01 0	.0 1.964840E+01	R2 R3 0.0 1.309893E+01 0.0 -3.385117E+00
EIGENVALUE = 3.321909E-07	FORCES OF SINGLE-	POINT CONSTRAINT
PT ID. T1 T2 13 0.0 -2.551103E+00 14 0.0 -2.551103E+00	T3 R1 0.0 -3.532296E+01 0.0 -1.236304E+01	R2 R3 0.0 -2.354864E+01 0.0 -3.242024E+00
EIGENVALUE = 7.002442E+06	FORCES OF SINGLE-	POINT CONSTRAINT
	T3 R1 0.0 -2.479790E+04 0.0 2.221343E+04	R2 R3 0.0 -1.653193E+04 0.0 1.480896E+04

APPENDIX C RUN WITH RIGHT BAR CONNECTION

ID OFFSET, CONNECT APP DISP SOL 3,0 DIAG 8,21,22 TIME 10 CEND FREE-BODY MODAL STUDY OF SHOE/RAIL CONNECTIONS WITH BARS RIGHT WAY WITH CONNECTOR BAR NORMAL TO RAIL.

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TITLE = FREE-BODY MODAL STUDY OF SHOE/RAIL CONNECTIONS WITH BARS SUBTITLE = RIGHT WAY WITH CONNECTOR BAR NORMAL TO RAIL.

SUBTITLE = RIGHT WAY WITH CONNECTOR BAR NORMAL OUTPUT

DISP = ALL

ELFORCES = ALL

SPCFORCES = ALL

SUBCASE 1

LABEL = BARS PINNED AT RAIL END. OFFSETS AT SHOE END.
METHOD = 3

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BARS PINNED MODE NUMBER	AT RAIL = 5	END. OFFSETS AT	T SHOE END. FREQUENCY	ENCY = 5.286507E-0	7E-05 HZ.		SUBCASE 1 EIGENVALUE = 1.103310E-07
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FREE-BODY MODAL STUDY OF SHOE/RAIL CONNECTIONS WITH BARS PAGE RIGHT WAY WITH CONNECTOR BAR NORMAL TO RAIL.	END. OFFSETS AT SHOE END. FREQUENCY = 5.159394E-05 HZ.	FORCES OF SINGLE-POINT	T1 T2 T3 0.0	FREQUENCY = 5.286507E-05 HZ.	FORCES OF SINGLE-POINT	T1 T2 T3 0.0	FREQUENCY = 9.393740E-05 HZ.	FORCES OF SINGLE-POINT	T1 T2 T3 0.0
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